Introduced by Assembly Member Jones

February 18, 2005

An act to amend Section 19549.6 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to horse racing.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 834, as introduced, Jones. Horse racing: California Exposition and State Fair.

Existing law requires the California Horse Racing Board to allocate racing weeks as it deems appropriate, while generally limiting harness racing in the northern zone to 25 weeks per year. Existing law provides a separate general limitation on racing by each fair of 14 days, or 3 weeks in certain circumstances. However, existing law provides that, notwithstanding these general limitations, the board may allocate additional weeks of harness racing to a lessee of the California Exposition and State Fair in Sacramento to be raced at the California Exposition and State Fair in Sacramento.

This bill would authorize the board to allocate these additional weeks of harness racing to a lessee of the California Exposition and State Fair in Sacramento or to the California Exposition and State Fair itself, to be raced at the California Exposition and State Fair in Sacramento.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

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The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 19549.6 of the Business and Professions 2 Code is amended to read:
- 3 19549.6. Notwithstanding subdivision (b) of Section 19531
- 4 and Section 19549, the board may allocate additional weeks of
- 5 harness racing to a lessee of the California Exposition and State
- 6 Fair in Sacramento or to the California Exposition and State Fair
- 7 itself, to be raced at the California Exposition and State Fair in
- 8 Sacramento.